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The Chairman & Members of the
Rhayader R. D. C.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit the following report on the Public Health in the Rhayader Rural District, during the year 1941.

In accordance with the instructions from the Ministry of Health the report is abbreviated.

Tuberculosis 4 new cases were notified.

One of these died, the infection being meningitis.

Infectious diseases 129 were notified during the year.

During the first few months of the year there were mild epidemics of measles, pneumonia, and rubella (or German measles).

Paratyphoid In August 8 cases of this occurred in the childrens home Bryngwy. All cases were mild and recovered. No cases occurred outside the Institution. The source of infection was not found, but was not believed to be attributable to any local conditions.

Diphtheria Immunisation A large proportion of children were inoculated against diphtheria. By July 21st of Radnorshire children 80% of school children, 86% of younger had been immunised. The figures corresponding, in evacuated children were 49% and 61%.

Through out the period there has been no evidence of any lowering of the standard of public health due to war conditions.

The district nursing service has met all demands. The infant welfare clinic has been well attended.

I have the honour

to remain, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant.

John Poole, M.B., Ch.B.,
M.O.H.

